

# ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

## TRUSTEES

OF THE

# Cemetery of Mount Auburn,

TOGETHER WITH THE

## REPORTS

OF THE

TREASURER AND SUPERINTENDENT.

JANUARY, 1870.

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## TRUSTEES' REPORT.

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At the Annual Meeting of the Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn, holden in Boston, February 1, 1869, measures were taken to cause a petition to be presented to the Legislature of the Commonwealth asking for amendments in the Charter of this Corporation relating to the election of Trustees, and to certain other matters.

In pursuance of votes taken at different times by this Corporation, a petition has been duly presented to the Legislature, and an Act has been passed by them, of which a copy is here subjoined:—

### AN ACT IN ADDITION TO AN ACT TO INCORPORATE THE PROPRIETORS OF THE CEMETERY OF MOUNT AUBURN.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives, in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:*

SECTION 1. The authority conferred upon any cemetery corporation organized under the provisions of Section two of Chapter twenty-eight of the General Statutes, to take and hold so much real and personal estate as may be necessary for the objects of its organization, is hereby vested in the Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn.

SECT. 2. No member of the said Corporation shall, in his individual right, be entitled to more than one vote at the meetings of said Corporation.

SECT. 3. The officers of the said Corporation shall consist of twelve Trustees, a Treasurer, Secretary, and such other officers as the Trustees may direct. The twelve persons who now constitute the Board of Trustees shall be divided by lot, or otherwise, as they themselves may determine, into six classes of two each; and the persons of the first class shall go out of office on the day of the next annual meeting; and the persons of the second, third, fourth, fifth, and sixth classes shall go out of office, respectively, on the day of each succeeding annual election in the years eighteen hundred seventy-one, eighteen hundred seventy-two, eighteen hundred seventy-three, eighteen hundred seventy-four, and eighteen hundred seventy-five; and the two Trustees who shall be chosen at the annual meeting in the year eighteen hundred and seventy, and in each succeeding year, shall continue in office, respectively for the term of six years. In case of the death or resignation of any Trustee, the

vacancy shall be filled by the Proprietors at the next annual meeting succeeding such death or resignation. Nothing herein contained shall prevent any person whose term of office shall have expired from being re-eligible.

SECT. 4. The Secretary shall give notice of annual and special meetings of said Corporation by sending by mail or otherwise, to each member of the Corporation whose place of residence or business shall be known to him, a printed notice thereof, seven days before the time of such meeting, and by publication of such notice in one or more newspapers printed in Boston, seven days before the time of such meeting. At all meetings a quorum for business shall consist of not less than twenty-five members.

SECT. 5. Such parts of Sections two, three, four, and five of Chapter ninety-six of the Acts of the year eighteen hundred and thirty-five, or of any Act in addition thereto, which may be inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, are hereby repealed.

Approved April 17, 1869.

In compliance with the foregoing Act of the Legislature, the Trustees at their meeting held December 14, 1869, voted to proceed to divide their board into six classes, and to decide by lot at what time the period of service of each of the present incumbents should expire. The lots being drawn, the result was declared as follows, (the name of Mr. CHARLES C. LITTLE, deceased, being omitted,) —

To go out of office at the Annual Meeting 1870, JAMES READ.

1871,	{ PAUL ADAMS, EDWARD S. RAND.
1872,	{ J. INGERSOLL BOWDITCH, LOYAL LOVEJOY.
1873,	{ EDWARD AUSTIN, JACOB BIGELOW.
1874,	{ ISAAC LIVERMORE, JACOB SLEEPER.
1875,	{ JAMES CHEEVER, OTIS NORCROSS.

During the past year many trees, constituting nearly half the whole number standing at the beginning of the year, have been culled out and removed, greatly improving the light and the general features of the landscape.

The gale of September 8 broke or blew down a considerable number of trees, but did little damage to fences and monuments. A large importation of ornamental flowering shrubs and small trees, ordered last year, has been safely planted in various parts of the Cemetery.

A reception-house has been commenced on the Wyeth estate, opposite the front gate of Mount Auburn, for the accommodation and shelter of visitors, and with a cellar for the protection in winter of tender plants or trees.

A lawsuit, which has been pending for several years between this Corporation and the Granite Railway Company, at Quincy, has been settled by a reference, so that the remainder of the stone is to be delivered, and the Receiving Tomb, which was begun some years ago, may now be completed.

An amendment to Article II of the By-Laws was adopted January 11, 1870, as follows: The words, "The Trustees for the ensuing year shall be elected by ballot," shall be stricken out, and the following inserted in the same place, "The vacancies in the Board of Trustees caused by death, resignation, or by expiration of the term for which any Trustees were elected, shall be filled by ballot."

The following amendment to Article VII has also been passed: "He (the Superintendent) shall not receive from any proprietor, or contractor for work or materials, any commission or fees, or any compensation for any service rendered by him, except as hereinafter provided. The Superintendent shall be allowed to render special services in the laying out and ornamentation of any lot, upon the request of the proprietor thereof, such proprietor first obtaining a permit in writing from the Secretary; and the Superintendent shall be allowed to charge such compensation for the services so rendered as the Committee on lots shall approve, and shall once in six months render to the Trustees an account in detail of the sums so received."

By the Treasurer's Report, it appears that the Permanent Fund, for the future support and preservation of the Cemetery, now amounts to \$102,466.97. The Repair Fund is now \$61,088.86; and the estimated balance in cash and invested disposable property is \$50,916.21, exclusive of the real estate owned by the Corporation outside of the Cemetery.

For the Trustees,

JACOB BIGELOW, *President.*

## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT.

*To the Trustees of Mount Auburn Cemetery,*

GENTLEMEN,—

In accordance with the requirements of the Trustees, I herewith transmit the Annual Report of the Superintendent, for the year ending December 31st, 1869, as per account of his department.

### IMPROVEMENTS.

Number of New Lots graded and bounded with Granite Posts, - - - - -	63
"    " Old Lots improved by being newly graded and sodded, - - - - -	184
"    " Old Lots bounded with Granite Posts, - - - - -	21
"    " Lots enclosed with Granite, - - - - -	79
"    " Iron Fences erected, - - - - -	3
"    " Tombs built, - - - - -	3
"    " Monuments erected, - - - - -	35
"    " Linear feet of Gutters paved, - - - - -	647
"    "    "    "    " repaved, - - - - -	542

### INTERMENT RECORD.

Total number of Interments as per last report, - - - - -	15,372
Number of Original Interments for year ending December 31, 1869, - - - - -	519
"    " Removals from other Cemeteries, - - - - -	91
Total number of Interments for the year, - - - - -	610
"    "    "    "    " in Cemetery to date, - - - - -	<u>15,982</u>
Of the above, there were Deposits in Receiving Tomb, - - - - -	38
Interments in Public Lots, - - - - -	<u>35</u>

### THE REMOVALS IN AND FROM THE CEMETERY WERE AS FOLLOWS:

To the Receiving Tomb, - - - - -	2
"    Receiving Tomb Lot, - - - - -	0
"    Public Lots, - - - - -	8
"    Private Lots, - - - - -	105
From Cemetery, - - - - -	<u>115</u>
Total number of Removals, - - - - -	30
	<u>145</u>

Respectfully submitted,

DANIEL L. WINSOR,

*Superintendent of Mount Auburn Cemetery.*

*Mount Auburn, December 31, 1869.*

## TREASURER'S REPORT.

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*The TREASURER Reports the following Abstract of RECEIPTS and EXPENDITURES for the Thirty-eighth year, 1869.*

Cash balance from preceding year,	\$4,148.55
He has received of sundry parties:—	
For Sales of Lots and Graves in Public Lots,	\$34,656.12
" Deeds and Transfers, and Sales of Catalogue and Plan,	408.92
" Labor and Materials, as follows:—	
Interments and Brick Graves,	\$6,246.50
Wood,	992.70
Hay,	1,064.92
Greenhouse Sales,	597.41
Annual Care of Lots,	8,000.00
Filling, grading, sodding, enclosing with granite, building Tombs, and other improvement of Lots,	30,448.95
From Income of Investments,	47,350.48
" Massachusetts Horticultural Society,—	3,821.68
For one-quarter part of expenditures, as follows:—	
Cost of Lot No. 2,548, repurchased at \$300, one-quarter is	\$75.00
Cost of Granite Front and Roof of new Receiving Tomb, \$4,713.19, one-quarter is	1,178.30
Filling and Improving Lands:—	
Garden Avenue, near Yew Av.,	\$593.33
The Lawn and Lawn Avenue,	1,287.81
Vicinity of Halcyon Lake,	1,204.74
Mound Av., Cesspool and Drain,	76.65
St. Paul Public Lot,	1,362.50
One-quarter of	\$4,525.03 is 1,131.26
" Interest on old account,	66.00
" Notes Receivable—Temporary Loans repaid,	2,450.56
	22,500.00
	111,187.76
	<hr/> \$115,336.31

He has paid to sundry parties — for Labor and Materials :—

Pay-Roll,	—	—	—	—	—	\$37,586.29
Surveying,	—	—	—	—	—	1,187.46
Bricks,	—	—	—	—	—	1,098.95
Lumber,	—	—	—	—	—	845.74
Lime and Cement,	—	—	—	—	—	563.78
Granite and Block Stone,	—	—	—	—	—	1,278.36
Granite Posts,	—	—	—	—	—	657.17
Cutting Granite,	—	—	—	—	—	217.77
Slate,	—	—	—	—	—	2,212.76
Iron,	—	—	—	—	—	229.09
Lead,	—	—	—	—	—	105.03
Marble and Marble-work,	—	—	—	—	—	141.13
Tiles,	—	—	—	—	—	125.65
Glass,	—	—	—	—	—	81.85
Hardware,	—	—	—	—	—	143.67
Paints and Oils,	—	—	—	—	—	345.00
Drain Pipes,	—	—	—	—	—	137.08
Tools,	—	—	—	—	—	549.00
Cordage,	—	—	—	—	—	61.02
Harness,	—	—	—	—	—	143.02
One Horse,	—	—	—	—	—	210.00
Carriage Repairs,	—	—	—	—	—	174.84
Smith-work,	—	—	—	—	—	269.91
Carpentering,	—	—	—	—	—	22.00
Signs for Avenues and Paths,	—	—	—	—	—	400.00
Sods,	—	—	—	—	—	3,922.98
Plants, etc., for Greenhouse and Cemetery,	—	—	—	—	—	818.39
Grain and Meal,	—	—	—	—	—	912.67
Manure,	—	—	—	—	—	1,016.00
Freight and Carting,	—	—	—	—	—	117.36
Coal for Engine, Chapel and Greenhouse,	—	—	—	—	—	668.42
Repairs of Engine,	—	—	—	—	—	127.39
Repairs of House and Pumps,	—	—	—	—	—	99.96
To Repair Fund, for account of Lot No. 575,	—	—	—	—	—	339.50
Drawbacks on Deposits in Receiving Tomb,	—	—	—	—	—	221.00
Graves in Public Lots repurchased,	—	—	—	—	—	128.50
Sundry expenses at Gate-Office,	—	—	—	—	—	172.61
Sundries on General Account,	—	—	—	—	—	345.03

\$57,676.38

For Expenses — Salaries :—

D. L. Winsor, Superintendent,	—	—	\$2,522.50
A. J. Coolidge, Secretary,	—	—	1,350.00
"    "    Treasurer,	—	—	1,500.00
"    "    Grant for services in 1868,	—	—	500.00
F. R. Bunker, Gatekeeper,	—	—	700.00

\$6,572.50

Rent, Heating and Lighting of Office,	—	\$867.83
Taxes,	—	397.66
Insurance,	—	35.25
Cariage-hire,	—	87.75
Printing, Binding and Stationery,	—	382.21
Postage and Revenue Stamps,	—	373.34
Sundries,	—	127.49

2,271.53

8,844.03

8,314.03

7,081.02

300.00

4,163.19

26,500.00

19.55

2,438.11

\$115,336.31

To the Mass. Horticultural Society, for its proportion of Sales,

8,844.03

" Mass. Hospital Life Insurance Co., for Permanent Fund,

8,314.03

For Lot No. 2,548 in the Cemetery,

7,081.02

" Granite Front and Roof of New Receiving Tomb,

300.00

" Notes Receivable—Temporary Loans during year,

4,163.19

" Interest on Temporary Loans,

26,500.00

Balance in hands of Treasurer,

19.55

2,438.11

#### FUND FOR REPAIRS.

Balance in hands of Treasurer, as per last report,	-	-	-	\$2,914.99
He has received :-				
For new Endowments,	-	-	-	8,600.00
" Income of Investments,	-	-	-	3,940.88
" Notes Receivable,	-	-	-	12,500.00
From General Funds, for account of Lot No. 565,	-	-	-	339.50

He has paid for said account:—

Balance in hands of Treasurer,

222.50  
445.41  
\$28,295.37

*The PROPERTY of the Corporation consists of:—*

The Cemetery, which has cost to date, - - - - -	\$429,266.66
Statuary, - - - - -	15,365.20
Superintendent's House and Lot, - - - - -	6,892.91
Stone Meadow, - - - - -	5,543.75
Wyeth Estate, - - - - -	4,000.00
Greenhouse, - - - - -	1,976.60
Water Works, - - - - -	11,361.29
New Receiving Tomb, - - - - -	5,034.89

#### AVAILABLE FUNDS.

## PERMANENT FUND.

Deposited with Mass. Hospital Life Ins. Co., as per last report,	\$89,818.13
Income of same for year 1869,	5,567.82
Deposited in December, 1869,	7,081.02
	\$102,466.97

### REPAIR FUND.

Notes Receivable, secured by Mortgage and Collateral, - - -	\$26,500.00
30 Shares Atlas National Bank, cost - - -	2,970.00
17 Shares Boston and Albany Railroad Co., cost - - -	1,425.00
United States 5-20 Bonds, \$29,300, cost - - -	29,748.45
Cash in hands of Treasurer, - - -	445.41

Respectfully submitted,

AUSTIN J. COOLIDGE, *Treasurer.*

Boston, January 29, 1870.

This certifies that we have examined the books and accounts of the Treasurer of the Proprietors of the Cemetery of Mount Auburn, for the year Eighteen Hundred and Sixty-nine, and have found them correctly kept and properly balanced, with satisfactory vouchers for all payments.

The Certificates of Stocks and other evidences of property were found in accordance with the statements of his accounts.

In the General Account, there appears to be a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$2,438.11; and in the Fund for Repairs, of \$445.11.

Boston, January 29, 1870.

JACOB SLEEPER, }  
PAUL ADAMS, } *Finance Committee.*